it is ensured that the registered consumers are told of their insurance at the time of giving LPG connections so that the insurance risk covered is not misused by the distributors in the event of any mishap?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH): (a) and (b) It is obligatory for LPG distributors to have a third party liability insurance coverage of upto Rs. 10 lakhs per accident. There is no procedure laid down for advising the consumer about the availability of the insurance cover. Insurance claims are processed by the insurance companies according to their procedure.

Supply of energy to deficit States

49. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise position of energy at present; and

(b) the steps taken by Government to improve the supply of energy to deficit States?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) The State-wise power supply position during March, 1986 is given in the enclosed Statement.

(b) To meet the shortage of power in the country, a number of steps are being taken which include:

(i) Expediting commissioning of additional generating capacity.

(ii) Maximising generation from the existing thermal power plants through plant betterment/renovation programme.

(iii) Reducing the transmission and distribution losses.

(iv) Adopting measures for energy conservation.

(v) Transfer of power from surplus States to deficit States.

Statement

Power Supply Position—March, 1986

(*Fig. in MU*)

Name of State	Requirement	Availability	Shortage	%shortage
1	2	3	4	5
Haryana	440	408	32	7.3
H.P. incl. BSL	83	83	..	..
Jammu and Kashmir	175	150	25	14.3
Punjab incl. NFF	790	775	15	1.9
Rajasthan	730	690	40	5.5
Uttar Pradesh	1690	1516	174	10.3
Delhi	376	376	..	..
Chandigarh	28	26	2	7.1
NORTHERN REGION	4312	4024	288	6.7

1	2	3	4	5
Gujarat	1350	1319	31	2.3
Madhya Pradesh	1075	1075	..	..
Maharashtra incl. Goa	2325	2281	44	1.9
WESTERN REGION	4750	4675	75	1.6
Andhra Pradesh	1314	1314	..	..
Karnataka	1120	902	218	19.5
Kerala	472	472	..	..
Tamil Nadu	1350	1255	95	7.5
SOUTHERN REGION	4256	3943	303	7.1
Bihar	380	269	111	29.2
West Bengal including Sikkim	690	648	42	6.1
D.V.C.	560	518	42	7.5
Orissa	455	327	128	28.1
EASTERN REGION.	2085	1762	323	15.5
NORTH-EASTERN REGION	145	132	13	9.0
ALL INDIA	15548	14536	1012	6.5

Mismanagement in BCCL

50. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representation dated the 6th December, 1985 from the Bharat Coking Coal Staff Coordination, Dhanbad regarding mismanagement in Bharat Coking Coal Limited, a subsidiary of the Coal India Limited;

(b) if so, what are the salient features of the said representation;

(c) the reaction of Government thereto; and

(d) the steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It has been stated in the representation that inspite of the existence of a Quality Control Department in BCCL, the consumers are not getting the proper quality of coal and that substantial deductions have been made by the consumers from the bills of BCCL on quality considerations, resulting in huge loss to BCCL.

(c) and (d) Government have laid great emphasis on the maintenance of proper quality of coal. As far as the deductions are concerned, BCCL have informed that the deductions were made mostly by Power Houses, Steel Plants and other Government Undertakings. BCCL have also informed that the deductions made by the